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15. [ ] PLC) George Gilbert, Legislative Reference, Office of Management and Budget, called concerning our latest draft reply, dated 14 September 1973, to Chairman Hebert, House Armed Services Committee, on H. R. 4294 and H. R. 6364, which provide additional retirement benefits for former POW's and MIA's, including Government civilian employees. We revised the report at OMB's request to avoid any inconsistency with the DOD position which is in opposition to the bill. Gilbert suggested certain nonsubstantive changes and if we accept them, the report can be forwarded to Hebert. I told Gilbert that the changes should not present a problem but would require final approval by the Director.

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16. [ ] LLM) Called Jim Woolsey with respect to the follow-up items resulting from the executive session hearing today before the Senate Armed Services Committee on St. George's allegations and it was tentatively agreed that we would provide a paper on the telephone procedures in effect on 17 June 1972; Woolsey would go to INS regarding the passport used by St. George in entering the United States in January 1953, (but I would supply the name and number of the official to call); if needed for the public record, we could provide an affidavit by a responsible Agency official concerning the negatives asserted by the three officers having contact with Martinez in 1971 and 1972; Mr. Colby's statement under oath concerning the watch officers on duty should suffice and there would be no need making the affidavits themselves public, other than those of Messrs. [ ] and Osborn, which bear directly on the issues and finally if needed for the public record, we could provide an affidavit by a responsible Agency official concerning the negatives needed with respect to the report of contacts with Martinez in 1971 and 1972. In view of the importance of the affidavits stated in question, Woolsey would like to review them in the same way we handled the sensitive supplement to Vol. 3 of "Documentation provided by CIA." We will try to have all material up to him by Monday.

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17. [ ] - LLM) Woolsey called that Laurence Stern was pushing him for an explanation of the inconsistency between a question posed by Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D., Mass.) and Colby's response as set forth in Colby confirmation hearings. I told Woolsey that the error was in Kennedy's question as the meeting between Ehrlichman and Colby took place in November of 1971 and not November of 1972.

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